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STATE OF MAINE
BY THE GOVERNOR
A PROCLAMATION

Amid all the hideous cruelty and suffering
The American Red Cross goes calmly about its work of mercy.
Its wonderful organization, mobile, adaptable, expanding with
its task, efficient to the last detail, is expressing the
heart of human compassion in response to human need. Its
countless ministries redeem the welter of world misery like
white flowers springing untainted from the sodden field of
carriage. For the credit of humanity, for the safety of our
own sons and brothers now in camp or overseas, this work must
not slacken nor falter. The President of the United States
has designated the week of May 20-27 as Red Cross Week. Let
the response of our people be prompt and generous.

Red Cross Week
May 20-27, 1918.
Designated May 6, 1918, 440.

Given under my hand and the Great
Seal of the State of Maine, at the Executive
Chamber, in the State Capitol, Augusta, this
seventeenth day of May, in the year of our
Lord, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen,
and of the Independence of the United States
of America the one hundred and forty-second.

By the Governor

Frank M. Bane
Secretary of State

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Proclamation
Registration of Aliens.
April 12, 1917.

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Whereas in accordance with the Act of Congress of May
eighteenth the President of the United States has designated Tuesday,
June fifth, as Registration Day, now, therefore, I do hereby summon
all male persons between the ages of twenty-one and thirty, both in-
clusive, to present themselves between the hours of 7 A. M. and 9
P. M. on the said fifth day of June at the registration place in
the precinct wherein they have their permanent homes, excepting,
only, officers and enlisted men of the Regular Army, the Navy, the
Marine Corps, and the National Guard and Naval Militia while in the
service of the United States, and officers of the Officers' Reserve
Corps and enlisted men in the Reserve Corps while in active service.

This call to registration will come to the young men of
Maine not only as the summons of law but also as an opportunity to
perform with spontaneous enthusiasm a patriotic duty. No fear of
penalties will be needed to insure universal response to the summons.
I urge upon all our citizens the importance of aiding in every pos-
sible way to make the registration one hundred per cent. efficient
and to surround it with the enthusiasm appropriate to the occasion.

Employers of labor are urged not to make the day an indus-
trial holiday, but to arrange for the presence of their employees at
the places of registration at convenient intervals during the day.
Owners of automobiles are requested to offer them for service where
needed. I hope that the significance of the day will be emphasized
by the general display of the American flag. Clergymen are requested
to announce from their pulpits the date of registration, and newspapers
are urged to give it all possible publicity.

Maine has always been staunch in her patriotism. No flag of
a Maine regiment has ever yet been surrendered to an enemy. On this
most momentous day in the history of our country, I confidently summon
our entire citizenship to a triumphant demonstration that shall be worthy
of our glorious tradition.

Given at the Executive Chamber at Augusta,
this first day of June, in the year of our
Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen,
and of the Independence of the United States
of America the one hundred and forty-first.

By the Governor

Frank M. Bane
Secretary of State

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A PROCLAMATION

Whereas the President of the United States has summoned the
people to pledge themselves to a program of careful and prudent
expenditure and the investment of all surplus income in the secur-
ities of the Government; and

WHEREAS, the War Savings Committee of the State of Maine, at
the request of the United States Treasury Department has prepared
to take pledges from the people for investment in War Savings Cer-
tificates, the same to be registered on National War Savings Day, June
twenty-eighth,

NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby designate Friday, June twenty-eighth,
as War Savings Day when all patriotic citizens shall appear at the
nearest designated place of registration or by signing pledge cards
or in some other manner assure the government of their purpose to
refrain from spending money for luxuries or non-essentials and to
invest the surplus thus saved in the various securities of the
United States Government and especially in War Savings Stamps.

In witness whereof, I have caused the
seal of the State to be hereunto
affixed, at Augusta, this twenty-
second day of June, in the year
of our Lord one thousand nine
hundred and eighteen and of the
Independence of the United States
of America the one hundred and
forty-second.

By the Governor

Frank M. Bane
Secretary of State

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STATE OF MAINE
BY THE GOVERNOR
A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, at the session of the legislature beginning January 3, 1917,
an emergency act was passed entitled "An Act relating to the Registration of
Information concerning Aliens";

AND WHEREAS, it is provided in said act that whenever between the United
States of America and any foreign country a state of war shall exist the Governor
may by proclamation direct and require every subject or citizen of such foreign
country within this State to appear within twenty-four hours after such procla-
mation and from time to time thereafter within twenty-four hours after his arri-
val in this State before such public authorities as the Governor may in such procla-
mation direct, and then and there such subject or citizen of such foreign
country shall personally register his name, residence, business, length of stay
and such information as the Governor may from time to time in such proclamation
prescribe and the person in control, whether owner, lessee, manager or proprietor,
of each hotel, inn, boarding house, rooming house, building and private residence
shall within twenty-four hours after said proclamation notify said public authori-
ties of the presence therein of every said subject or citizen of such foreign
country and shall each day thereafter notify such public authorities of the arri-
val thereof and departure therefrom of every such citizen or subject.

AND WHEREAS a failure to comply with all the requirements of this act is de-
clared to be a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars
and by imprisonment not exceeding one year or both.

AND WHEREAS a state of war now exists between the United States of America
and the Imperial German Government, -
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Carl E. Miliken, Governor of the State of Maine, by au-
thority of said act, do by this proclamation, direct and require, that all sub-
jects or citizens of the Imperial German Government, shall within twenty-four
hours appear before the clerks of the towns where they are located or the boards
of registration, if located in cities and register and all other persons shall no-
tify such clerks and boards of registration of the presence of subjects or citizens
of the Imperial German Government in any building under their control as provided
in this act.

paid by the Adjutant General by check to the enlisted man, or if
he so directs in writing, to any member of his family.
Section 2. For the purpose of meeting the expenses authorized
by this act, the Governor is hereby authorized to draw his
warrant for said expenses against any moneys in the treasury not
otherwise appropriated.
Section 3. In view of the emergency expressed in the preamble
hereof, this act shall take effect when approved.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE STATE PAY FOR
SOLDIERS AND SAILORS IN THE
VOLUNTEER SERVICE OF THE UNITED
STATES.

IN SENATE CHAMBER, MAY 10, 1917
READ TWICE UNDER SUS-
PENSION OF THE RULES OF THE SENATE
AND PASSED TO BE ENACTED
W. E. Spring
Secretary

Mr. Barnes of Houlton.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD THE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND SEVENTEEN.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE STATE PAY FOR SOLDIERS AND SAILORS IN THE
VOLUNTEER SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES.

WHEREAS the pay allowed by the National government to en-
listed men under existing laws and regulations is not sufficient
to adequately recompense the volunteers and

WHEREAS, increased pay for the soldiers and sailors en-
listed in the National Guard of Maine or in the naval service
of the United States is immediately necessary for the preserva-
tion of the public peace, health and safety in the present con-
dition of war and until the pay allowed by the National Govern-
ment is increased

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:
Section 1. There shall be allowed and paid out of the treasury
of the State of Maine to each non-commissioned officer, soldier,
sailor and marine mustered into the military service of the
United States as a part of the quota of the state or enrolled
in the naval service for service in the United States or in any
foreign country, a sum not in excess of ten dollars a month, as
may be necessary, in order that every such non-commissioned
officer, soldier or sailor shall receive from the United States
and this State in the aggregate the sum of twenty-five dollars
per month.

Said amount shall be payable monthly at the office of the
Adjutant General, and shall date from the enrollment or muster-
ing in the United States service of said non-commissioned officer,
soldier, sailor or marine, and shall continue until the first day
of March, nineteen hundred and nineteen, unless the service is
 sooner terminated. The supply officer of such organization
shall submit to the Adjutant General payrolls certified to by
him as correct, and the amount found necessary as above shall be

expenses incurred in carrying out the purposes of this act.

Section 2. Interest due or accruing upon
any bonds and or notes issued under the provisions of
this act shall be paid by the treasurer of state from any
money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated,
and or from the state contingent fund upon warrants
drawn by the governor and council therefor.

Section 4. In view of the emergency cited in
the preamble hereof this act shall take effect when
approved.

sums and of such denominations and on such time or times,
and to mature at a definite time or serially as the
governor and council may determine. Such bonds and or
notes shall be signed by the treasurer of state, counter-
signed by the governor, and attested by the state auditor
with the seal of the state affixed, and shall be deemed to
be and shall be a pledge of the faith and credit of the
state and shall be tax exempt. The coupons attached to
any coupon bonds so issued shall bear the facsimile of the
signature of the treasurer of state, instead of his original
signature. The state auditor shall keep an account of
such bonds and or notes, showing the number and amount of
each, the date of counterclaiming, the date when payable,
and the date of delivery thereof to the treasurer of state,
who shall keep an account of such bonds and or notes,
showing the number thereof, the names of the persons to whom
sold, the amount received for the same, the date of sale
and the date when payable. The treasurer of state may
negotiate the sale of such bonds and or notes under the
direction of the governor and council in such manner as they
may deem most advantageous to the state and the proceeds
of the sale of such bonds and or notes shall be held by
the treasurer of state, and paid by him upon warrants
drawn by the governor and council for the purpose of this
act, until otherwise ordered by the legislature.

Section 5. The sum of one million dollars is
hereby appropriated to be paid out of the treasury of
state from any moneys in the treasury not otherwise
appropriated and from the proceeds of any bonds and or
notes issued under the provisions of this act to be
expended under the direction of the governor with the
advice and consent of the council in defraying the

